

STORIES OF THE REUNION

Many Interesting Happenings Occur Daily at Gettysburg — Old Soldiers Meet After Fifty Years Not as Foes But as Friends—Several Romances

Gettysburg, Pa., July 2.—Innumerable stories are being related of interesting happenings connected with the re-union. Chief Clerk George G. Thorne of the state department at Harrisburg told today of the call made by a Union veteran early on the morning of the fiftieth anniversary of the start of the battle who related that his conscience troubled him because of the fact that on that fateful morning many years ago he had succumbed to temptation and stolen a quantity of onions from the Thorne garden, which was located near the historic Seminary Ridge. He told Thorne that he desired at this late date to pay for the onions and thus relieve his conscience. Needless to say his offer of money was refused, but the Thornes would like to learn the identity of the soldiers who upset eight bee hives in the day of night and appropriated all the honey they contained.

A romance developed in camp today when John Goodwin of New York, a veteran, and Margaret Murphy of Chicago, were united in marriage by Quire Harnish. Forty-six years ago the two were engaged, but they subsequently married. They became widower and widow, the old flame was rekindled and they agreed to come to Gettysburg on the fiftieth anniversary of the battle and marry. The happy pair will go on a wedding tour from here and will reside in New York.

General "Tom" Stewart of Pennsylvania is telling an amusing story of a "runaway vet" he came across in the big camp. The veteran is 85 years old and his son at home announced decisively that under no circumstances should his aged parent go to Gettysburg. The desire to be here and meet his former comrades was so strong in the heart of the old soldier that he climbed out of a window and ran away turning up here in good shape. He is now happy and well cared for.

Wearing a tattered uniform of gray, Alexander Hunter of Virginia was today the central point of interest on the streets of the town. Mr. Hunter is wearing the identical suit and hat which he wore at Gettysburg 50 years ago. The suit is in rags and has a bullet hole through one of the sleeves. He carries all his accoutrements about Gettysburg and wears a union belt taken from a foe here. Mr. Hunter was a member of the Black Horse cavalry.

One of the oldest veterans in the big camp is Captain W. H. Fleig of Houston, Texas, who was ninety years of age on his last birthday, February 23. During the war he served with distinction in the marine department of the confederate navy. Captain Fleig is one of the best preserved men in camp and is more active than many of the other veterans a score of years less advanced.

A grand son of Francis Scott Key, composer of "The Star Spangled Banner" is here. He is John Francis Key, aged 82, of Pikeville, Md., and he is a veteran of the Second Maryland Infantry of the Confederate army. Wearing a suit of gray Key came into town, weak and almost dropping. He has been in failing health but declared that he was "going to see Gettysburg on this one occasion or die."

A remarkable coincidence of the camp was the meeting of two men with exactly the same name, coming from towns of the same name, but in different states, one of whom fought on the union side in the battle of Gettysburg, and the other with the confederates.

These two men are John Carson of Burlington, N. J., and John Carson of Burlington, N. C. How they came to meet was by the merest chance. The Jersey Carson was walking along one of the streets and saw a man in gray. Just to be friendly, the Jersey man stopped him and gave him a greeting. It was not until they had talked for several minutes that they discovered their names were identical, as well as the names of their towns. They were so tickled with the coincidence that they walked a mile in the broiling sun to the press tents to tell about it.

One of the interesting sidelights of this great encampment is the re-union of the civil war nurses, which is being held in a house on the main street of the town. Thirty aged women, who tended the sick and dying on the field after the battle and in the hospitals in this vicinity, sit on the porch of the house all day and wave as the blue coats and gray backs march by. They have been given quarters by the Pennsylvania commission, but they have taken no part in the general celebration.

SEE YELLOWSTONE OVER WYLIE WAY

Ogden Elks' Party Selects Route Through National Park.

Selecting "Wylie Way" for their trip through Yellowstone park, Ogden Lodge No. 719, B. P. O. E., has made definite arrangements for a special tour, on which 125 Ogden people will see the grandeur of the national reserve at its best, early in August.

Arrangements have been made for a deluxe steel train, with buffet and observation car and necessary Pullmans, to leave Ogden on August 5. The trip through the park will extend for six days, after the Ogden tourists have reached the entrance, this being one more day than is usually taken. The extra day will be spent at Grand Canyon or some other important scenic spot on the route. The party will be absolutely limited to 125 persons.

and the fare for the round trip, including the splendid services on the "Wylie Way," will be \$57.95. W. D. W. Zeller, exalted ruler of Ogden lodge, will leave Saturday evening for Yellowstone park to make a trip through the reserve and decide definitely on the itinerary of the party.

TURNERS AT PIKE'S PEAK.
Denver, Colo., July 2.—Parties of Turners today invaded new sections of the mountains, on the third day of their recreation program. The turners officially invaded the Pike's Peak region, others visited the Cripple Creek mining district, while still others spent the day at Glacier lake.

ACCIDENTALLY.
"I wonder how so many forest fires catch?" said Mrs. McBride. "Perhaps they catch accidentally from the mountain ranges," suggested Mr. McBride. —Christian Register.

REMARKABLE PICTURE.
"Have you seen Mr. Dauber's picture?"
"No." Is there anything remarkable about it?"
"Yes. It's sold." —Boston Transcript.

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DR. CALDER IN A TALK ON THE INSANE

Declaring that the restless spirit of the age, the intense competition and the increasing mental tension required to meet conditions, is responsible for neurotic conditions bordering on insanity, Dr. D. H. Calder, in his address before the members of the First District Medical society last night, sounded a warning that the people of this country are in danger of becoming a race of insane.

Dr. Calder, who is superintendent of the State Mental hospital at Provo, delivered his paper at the close of the day's sessions.

At the afternoon session at the Weber club, Dr. G. G. Richards of Salt Lake, and Dr. G. W. States of Provo, Idaho, read papers. Following the papers a clinic was held at the Dee hospital after which the doctors returned to the club for a banquet.

There were 75 physicians from northern Utah and southern Idaho present.

Dr. H. A. Adamson of Richmond, Utah, was elected president of the society, and Dr. C. K. MacMurdy of Ogden was chosen secretary-treasurer for the ensuing year.

In his introduction, Dr. Calder told his audience at the City hall that it has been computed that in the United States one in every 300 is insane, while in Utah only one in each 1000 is insane. Of the members admitted to mental hospitals, he said that about 25 per cent recover, and an equal number recover sufficiently to take care of themselves. The remainder are charges of the state, or die.

"Alienists know that mental breakdown is not caused by some single circumstance, but by a multitude of causes conspiring together," said Dr. Calder. "Fright, which is popularly supposed to be a large factor, very rarely causes insanity. Although there is no doubt that insanity is more prevalent in this decade than in any other, the male cases predominate. Syphilis, typhoid fever, alcohol and cigarettes all produce a special form of insanity of their own."

"The line of demarcation between insanity and sanity, as frequently seen in public life, is often difficult to determine. This type of individual is called peculiar and looked upon as foolish. They are not insane, yet they are not entirely right. The practical test of insanity is not altogether what a man thinks, but what he does. In actual insanity there must be disorderly thought. According to the most widely accepted views of the present day, the cause of all typical insanity is the possession by the insane one of an unstable brain which is easily affected by direct action of moral and physical causes upon the brain cells and nerve fibres. Just how such causes produce their direct action is yet to be explained."

"Alcohol is variously estimated as the direct cause of insanity in from 12 to 20 per cent of all cases committed to institutions. When we consider that about one-third of alcoholic parents suffer from epilepsy, and that more than one-half of the idiotic children have alcoholic parents, it is readily seen that this is a factor to be pre-eminently reckoned with."

"It is the very general belief that nearly every case of insanity depends in some way upon nervous inheritance, and that all forms of insanity are equally dangerous as far as their transmission is concerned. There is no definite disease, insanity, which is likely to be transmitted. Insanity of the parent is not more likely to be transmitted to the descendants than an accidental injury. Though insanity, in a definite form, is not transmissible, there is a tendency to develop various forms of psychoneuroses, which is transmissible."

"There never has been, nor never will be a case where a normal child was born from parents both of whom were mentally defective. Ignorance on the matter of sexuality is the chief obstacle in our path at present. It is the height of absurdity for the law to permit persons incapable of taking care of themselves to become the parents of children who in all probability will be still less capable of bearing the burdens of life. Women are at last awakening to the conclusion that ignorance on these subjects does not necessarily mean safety to a girl. The supreme court of the United States has said that parenthood laws are not unconstitutional. The great danger lies in the huge mass of semi-insane and high grade imbeciles which a federal act would reach."

"Marriage laws of the various states have proved to be worse than useless. Mankind has no right, moral, legal or spiritual, to deny the semi-insane and high grade imbeciles the blessing of sterilization. Probably the cause of the failure of our attempt to create a state bureau of eugenics in this state was due more than anything else to the mistake made in making sterilization compulsory. Possibly the



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better way would be to have a parenthood law. Instead of a sterilization law, I would have this law for compulsory sterilization, but to those of the unfit who can be safely at large I would offer the alternative of sterilization and liberty or, better,

without sterilization. So soon as the general public recognize the vital necessity of denying parenthood to the unfit, there would be no battle about the methods. The one essential is to convince the public that hereditary defectiveness is our most

awful social burden and can in a large measure be prevented. The restless spirit of the age, with its intense competition in every department of business and professional life, the mad struggle for wealth, place and power, with an ever increasing

mental tension, are responsible for a large increase of mental disorders which are sapping the energies of the present generation. That this weakening force will project itself into future generations is all too evident. Among women with a more delicate

nervous organization, this effect is even more apparent. The struggle to keep up appearances and win social recognition, along with artificial and extravagant modes of living, are responsible for many neurotic conditions bordering on insanity.